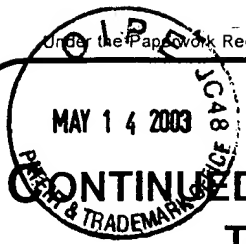


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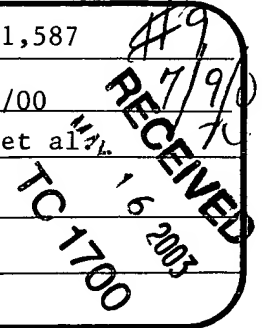
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION

Sir:

In response to the office action dated February 13, 2003, applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114.